

Rural Health Meet Keynote

District Home Demonstration Clubs To Press For Betterment Laws

A resolution urging to passage of laws for the betterment of rural health conditions and the expansion of school lunch programs is expected to pass the 11th district meeting of home demonstration clubs, which starts at 10 o'clock this morning at Penderlea school.

Ni. ty To Attend

Nearly 90 New Hanover county demonstration clubwomen will attend the meeting.

Miss Iris Davenport, editor of the Women's department of the Southern Agriculturalist magazine will be guest speaker.

County reports will be given by the following Home Demonstration club women and 4-H club girls of the respective counties:

EXPANDED AIRLINE SERVICE LOOMING

CAA Spokesman Assures Wilmington Solution To VHF Trouble Coming

The outlook for Wilmington's chances of increasing air traffic looks brighter today with the disclosure of assurances by the Civil Aeronautics authority official that some solution to the problem of army and navy danger zones in the area are expected to be worked out.

Henry E. Boyd, Traffic Manager of the Wilmington Port-Traffic association yesterday notified R. B. Paige, chairman of the air committee of the local chamber of commerce, and Harry R. Gardner, chairman of the New Hanover county airport committee, that this assurance was given him in a conference with L. R. Wright of the CAA last week in Washington.

Danger Zones

The problem heretofore facing air development in Wilmington and surrounding cities was the danger zones maintained by the army and navy along the coast.

Promises Aid

Wright promised to give special attention to the very high frequency radio ranges in Wilmington and at other coastal points, Boyd said.

The beam has been delayed in use for several weeks because it crosses a Navy bombing range on Albemarle sound.

The Weather

FORECAST: South Carolina—Considerable cloudiness over with scattered light showers today; Thursday, partly cloudy and warmer.

U. S. Chamber Urges Industry Price Cut

Manufacturers Association Responds For a Step To Presidential Appeal For Help In Dispelling Inflationary Clouds

WASHINGTON, April 29.—(AP)—In quick response to a direct new appeal from President Truman, the United States chamber of commerce today urged industry to cut prices "where and when business costs permit."

Maritime Commission Incurs House Group Ire

RELIEF TRIMMED

WASHINGTON, April 29.—(AP)—The House voted today to trim a \$350,000,000 foreign relief program to \$200,000,000 and to deny aid to Russian-dominated countries unless they agreed to rigid U. S. supervision.

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Conservationists Urge Restoration of Wildlife Funds

ELIZABETH CITY, April 29.—(AP)—A resolution urging the N. C. delegation in congress to work for the restoration of appropriations to the U. S. Fish and Wildlife service so that it will not be necessary to close the Beaufort Marine Fishery laboratory was unanimously passed by the State Board of Conservation and development here today.

State Auditor Bridges Has Big Time Changing Cash From N. C. Coeffers

RALEIGH, April 29.—(AP)—In the three months he has been in office, State Auditor Henry L. Bridges has become accustomed to writing checks, but despite this experience he was highly nervous today when he signed his name to two checks for a total of \$60,232.25.

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Smith Starts Waste Probe

Ship Stripping Charges Being Checked Here By Maritime Commission

An investigation into charges that the Maritime commission has been selling equipment from surplus merchant ships stripped for the Reserve fleet and later buying identical articles at higher prices, has begun, according to Admiral W. W. Smith, Maritime commission chairman.

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Plans for the annual Boy Scout camporee, scheduled for this week-end at Blueenthal airport, were completed last night at a dinner meeting of the Wilmington District scoutmasters.

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Morning Star Washington Bureau WASHINGTON, April 29.—The Army engineers will soon file an unfavorable report opposing the proposed construction of a small boat basin near Singleton Swash.

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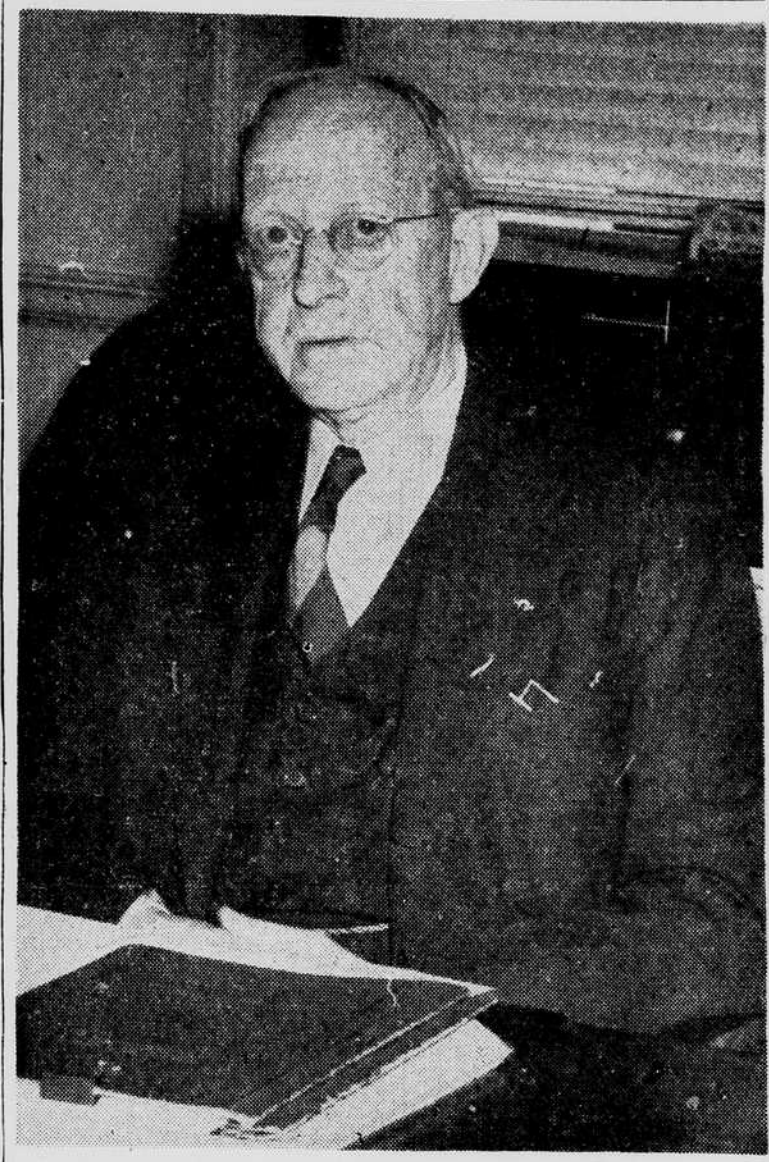
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The state highway patrol estimated 20 were killed.

The business district was reduced to rubble. Only a few residences were left standing after the violent storm lashed this small community at 2:30 o'clock (CST) this afternoon.

The identified dead, in a mortuary at nearby Grant City:

Frederick Jennings, John Danner, W. F. Roberts, Bert Shipley, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Burns, Orin Meyers, telephone operator, Mrs. Charles Hall, Mrs. Molly Porter, Mrs. Bert Shipley, Melvin Peiering, 20, Irene Pickering and Ella Walker.

Chester Krause, editor of the Maryville, Mo., Forum, reported rescuers still were searching the ruins for additional dead or injured. He said all the dead probably had been recovered.

The victims were middle-aged or older, except Melvin Pickering and his sister, Irene, who were in their early twenties.

Melvin Pickering and Mrs. Bert Shipley died in ambulances en route to hospitals.

SCHOOL LEVELED

The storm whipped through the center of the town, smashing 12 buildings including the school, church and community hall in addition to the business houses and about 15 homes.

An alert school teacher, Mrs. Anna Trump, saved her 16 pupils (Continued on Page Two; Col. 5)

SOUTHERN OWNERS BUCK LEWIS PLAN

Soft Coal Operators Refuse To Bargain On Industry-Wide Basis

WASHINGTON, April 29.—(AP)—Southern soft coal operators balked at industry-wide bargaining with John L. Lewis today as the government sought to stave off the threat of a new coal strike July 1.

The Southern Coal Producers' association agreed to negotiate a separate contract with Lewis' United Mine Workers union, but insisted that different operating conditions in various sections of the country make industry-wide bargaining "impractical and undesirable."

Under government prodding, Lewis and the operators sat down together for initial talks looking toward the end of federal control of the nation's 2,500 soft coal mines June 30. On that date, the government's control of the pits seized last May, at the height of a 59-day strike, expires.

Without a new contract with the private owners, a new walkout appears inevitable since the miners traditionally follow a "no contract-no work" policy.

Bucks Lewis

The Southern association's willingness to go ahead with negotiations on a sectional basis ran counter to Lewis' previous determination to bargain on an industry-wide level or not at all.

The association said in a statement that "government control, at best, is only a temporary expedient, and government management and miners alike desire it ended as soon as possible."

"The meeting today is one in which operators from all segments in the industry are represented," the statement continued.

"These operators from areas outside our own are friends but it must not be forgotten that they also are competitors."

The southern group's stand led to a recess until 3 P. M. (E.S.T.) tomorrow in the conferences called by Navy Capt. N. H. Collisson, federal coal mines administrator, who had urged both sides to make "sincere efforts" toward a settlement of the long-drawn dispute.

Representatives of a 32 coal-producing associations had gathered in an attempt to work out a solution by June 30.